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Saburo Nakamura

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 1, 2008, Applicant provisionally elects, without traverse, Species III covered by claims 1 and 5-9.

If any generic claims are found to be patentable, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of additional species as well. Currently, claims 1 and 5 are generic.

In any event, Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims, prior to the issuance of any patent maturing from the instant application.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

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Respectfully submitted,

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